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**In re Application of:**

**Steve W. Heppler**

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In compliance with the duty to disclose information material to patentability pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a).

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DOCUMENTS  
Other Documents

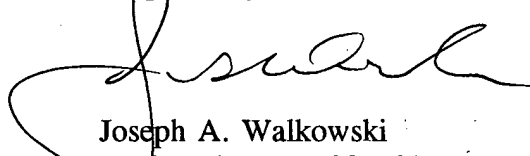
"Automatic Progressive Tooling System," AP50, 12 pages.

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Applicant offers to supply any explanation or discussion of the documents which the Examiner feels is necessary or desirable and which is requested.

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